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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

7 September 2006

### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

The applicants' attorney amends the claims and requests reconsideration of the application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.